GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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Below Poverty Line Beneficiaries
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons living below poverty line in the country as per the Socio Economic and Caste Census 2011, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the said census or list is being utilized for identifying the beneficiaries under various poverty alleviation programmes; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No.134 due for answer on 9th March 2017.

(a) : The Ministry of Rural Development conducted a combined Socio Economic and Caste Census (SECC) in 2011 to rank households across the country for both rural & urban areas on identified socio-economic parameters. SECC 2011 provides data on households regarding various aspects of their socio-economic status − viz. housing, land-holding/landlessness, educational status, status of women, differently abled, occupation, possession of assets, SC/ST households, incomes, etc. SECC 2011 data captures respondent based disclosures on socio economic status of 17.97 crore rural households which has allowed automatic exclusion of 07.07 crore (39.34 %) of households as not poor on the basis of 13 parameters, automatic inclusion of 0.16 crore (0.89%) households as poorest of the poor on the basis of 5 parameters and grading of deprivation of 8.70 crore (48.41%) of rural households on the basis of seven parameters. Statement indicating State/UT-wise details of households showing Automatic Exclusion, Automatic Inclusion and Deprivation is given at Annexure. No BPL list is prepared now.

(b) & (c): SECC -2011 captures the socio − economic aspects of households and multi-dimensionality of poverty of households. Programme specific priority list of beneficiaries is generated, through the granular details available in the SECC 2011, for meeting programmes/schemes objectives. SECC -2011 data is being used for selecting beneficiaries in Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana - Gramin (PMAY-G), Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana − National Rural Livelihood Mission(DAY-NRLM), Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana(PMUY) of the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti of the Ministry of Power, etc.

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